## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 1-50-83

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: RATE EXCEPTION REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

REFERENCE: 11-302

All-County Information Notice I-131-82 dated September 17, 1982, provided a summary of the provisions of AB 2695 (Chapter 977, Statutes 1982), which implemented the Adoptions Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980 (P.L. 96-272).

The provisions of AB 2695 established a rate exception process for the 1982/83 fiscal year, whereby existing Foster Care Group Home Providers can receive full state participation in a rate increase which exceeds the cost-of-living restriction. This is a one-year provision and it is recommended that counties review any potential exception situation thoroughly.

The regulations also specify that within 30 days of granting an exception rate, the host county shall report to SDSS, the pertinent information required by OPP 11-302.241(a-h). The CWD should contact SDSS if there are any questions pertaining to this section.

For those counties that have already made rate exception determinations but have not submitted the required documentation to SDSS, this is a reminder of the reporting requirements. There is a need to adequately document all required information. Failure to report and document may jeopardize funding for the period of time rate exceptions are authorized.

We recommend that the county welfare departments give prompt attention to this process and forward any rate exception determinations to:

Department of Social Services AFDC-FC Rates Bureau 744 P Street, Mail Station 7-172 Sacramento, GA 95814

Any questions regarding the rate exception reporting responsibilities should be directed to the Foster Care Rates Bureau at (916) 323-1263 or ATSS 473-1263.

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